# Primary Aluminum Reduction Plant Columbia Falls, Montana

ARCO Metals Company

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#### Introduction

## Overview of the Business

The Columbia Falls, Montana aluminum reduction plant is a Vertical Stud Soderberg (VSS) smelter that has been modified with Sumitomo technology. The plant is located in northwestern Montana, 255 miles east of Spokane, Washington and 62 miles south of Canada. Construction of the first two potlines began in 1952, and production began in 1955. The third potline was added in 1965, and the final two potlines were added in 1968. Rated production capacity is 360 million pounds of primary aluminum per year.

The Columbia Falls plant site consists of more than 3,900 acres of fee owned land and more than two million square feet of covered floor space. Six hundred aluminum reduction cells in five potlines provide metal to a cast house with ten furnaces, five casting pits, and one pig casting machine. A rod mill facility is also on site. Industrial firm power is purchased from the Bonneville Power Administration via a 20-year contract. Alumina is converted to primary aluminum and is sold in ingot form for remelt, sheet, and foundries. The plant employs over 1,000 people and is virtually self-sufficient for maintenance and engineering requirements.

Major features of the plant include:

- o state-of-the-art VSS technology,
- o stable and experienced employees,
- o excellent automation and information systems,
- o state-of-the-art environmental control, and
- o ability to produce 99.7% aluminum in over 80% of the pots. Industry average is 70% for similar VSS or Horizontal Stud Soderberg Technology.

Also, a major maintenance and upgrade program was completed in 1981. Approximately \$40 MM was spent to implement Sumitomo technology and about \$32 MM has been spent since 1979 for significant equipment upgrade and project development. Required capital spending is estimated to average less than \$4 MM per year over the next five years.

The Columbia Falls plant has been developing significant performance improvements in a number of areas, i.e.:

- cell aluminum feeding/polarization computation methods,
- o improved diagnostics/counter-electromotive force,
- o bath ratio/x-ray analysis, and
- o integrated process control and data base computer systems.

A Technology Improvement Program (TIP) is planned. Many developmental projects are being tested on operating cells to significantly improve production performance and metal purity at reduced operating costs. Cost containment is planned via improved labor costs, increased finished goods production, and an employee involvement program. There is reason to expect that future power rate increases will be more moderate.

#### Introduction

### Highlights of the Columbia Falls Plant

## State-of-the-Art Vertical Stud Soderberg Operation

The plant has been fully operational with Sumitomo technology (state-of-the-art for Vertical Stud Soderberg operation) since early 1981. It has resulted in steadily improving operating efficiency and the most efficient dry anode operation outside of Japan. The plant is in full compliance with all state and federal environmental standards.

#### Stable, Experienced Work Force

No significant work stoppages have ever occurred due to labor/management negotiations. The plant management and the union leadership have had 29 years of successful and open relations, and the cooperative labor environment results in less restrictive work rules. The absenteeism rate and the turnover rate may be the lowest in the industry. The plant also benefits from the experienced and qualified managerial and professional staff.

#### Automation and Information Systems

The plant has advanced computing and systems support, consisting of analytical laboratory computers, power and cell control computers, and a mainframe data processing computer. The various systems can run independently, yet are fully integrated through communications to allow transfer of operational/analytical data to the mainframe data base for performance analysis and process control.

#### Internal Developmental and Demonstration Projects

Many developmental tests are being conducted on operating cells that are significantly improving production performance and metal purity at reduced operating costs. A brief description of these projects is found under the Technology heading ahead.

#### Environmental Control/Industrial Hygiene

The plant historically has been well recognized for its environmental and industrial hygiene monitoring and for its lab developmental work. The plant is in full compliance with all applicable environmental laws and regulations concerning air, water, solid waste, and PCBs. The Industrial Hygiene Department has a complete program for health protection of the work force, in compliance with governmental regulations. It has total analytical capability in this area and is certified by the American Industrial Hygiene Association.

## Capital Improvements

In addition to \$40MM spent for the implementation of Sumitomo technology, \$32MM was spent from 1979 to 1983 for significant equipment upgrade and project development. Required capital spending is estimated to average less than \$4MM per year over the next five years.

## Other

The plant has one of the lowest energy costs among aluminum producers in the U.S. Pacific Northwest, and its Australian-sourced alumina contracts have been cost competitive. The plant is virtually self-sufficient for all operational and maintenance requirements. Products include "T" ingot, pig, sheet ingot and foundry ingots.

#### Introduction

#### Procedures of Sale

Atlantic Richfield is conducting the divestiture of Columbia Falls through the management of ARCO Metals. All requests for further information should be made to:

> Wesley M. Witten Senior Vice President, Marketing ARCO Metals Company 1701 Golf Road Rolling Meadows, IL 60008 312/228-4519

Please do not contact the personnel at Columbia Falls unless specifically authorized to do so by Mr. Witten.

Atlantic Richfield will give those prospective purchasers which it believes to be qualified and seriously interested an opportunity to inspect Columbia Falls' facilities and discuss its operations with members of its senior management.

This document has been provided to a limited number of prospective purchasers. Atlantic Richfield's initial objective is to ascertain which parties have a serious interest and to enter into in-depth discussions regarding the sale of Columbia Falls on a timely basis.

## Description of the Business

#### Introduction

## The Aluminum Business

The Western World has capacity to produce 31.8 billion pounds of primary aluminum per year. Last year, 7.4 billion pounds were produced in the U.S., and another 16.5 billion pounds were produced outside the U.S.

Primary aluminum is used as ingot for castings and is further fabricated into other aluminum products such as plate, sheet, foil, extrusions, rod/bar/wire, forgings/impacts, and powder/paste.

Aluminum's major markets include containers/packaging, building/construction, and transportation. Other markets include consumer durables, machinery/equipment, and electrical.

## Manufacturing Process and Raw Materials

Facilities exist to unload and store raw materials, process anode paste, disassemble and rebuild spent reduction cells, smelt and cast molten aluminum, and load and ship products.

Alumina, the basic raw material from which aluminum is produced, is refined from bauxite. Columbia Falls' alumina, supplied through long-term contracts, originates in Australia. There bauxite is taken by open-pit mining, refined into sandy alumina by the Bayer process, and loaded onto ships at ports in the Kwinana/Bunbury Western Australia range. Ownership is transferred to ARCO upon delivery, F.O.B. vessel.

ARCO transports the alumina by ocean freight to Everett, Washington where it is unloaded by clam shell bucket. Port of Everett storage capacity is 55,000 short tons. Alumina is transported by Burlington Northern from Everett to Columbia Falls in bottom-dump gondola railroad cars where it is unloaded into bucket elevators and transferred to storage silos. These silos have a storage capacity of 59,000 short tons. Supplemental storage of 35,000 short tons is also available at Columbia Falls.

Petroleum coke and coal tar pitch are the principal raw materials used in the in-house manufacture of carbon paste briquettes. These briquettes are used to replenish the sacrificial anode consumed during the electrolytic reduction process. The plant has facilities to: unload and store anode-related raw materials; crush, separate and classify petroleum coke; weigh and mix anode paste; and extrude and store anode briquettes.

The steel cathode shell of a reduction cell is lined by insulation materials and carbon block assemblies. During the rebuilding process, the insulation material and carbon block assemblies, supplied by outside vendors, are replaced and the cathode interior lined and sealed with cathode carbon paste. The Columbia Falls plant has facilities to unload and store cathode-related raw materials, crush and separate anthracite coals, and

weigh and mix cathode carbon paste. There is also a complete group of ancillary facilities associated with the pot rebuild process.

Aluminum fluoride and cryolite are the principal chemicals composing the electrolyte in the reduction cell. Alumina is dissolved in the electrolyte. The anode is immersed in the electrolyte and through electrolysis, the alumina is separated into its respective elements: aluminum and oxygen.

The reduction cells (pots) are the focal point in the primary production process. At Columbia Falls, there are 600 Vertical Stud Soderberg cells equally distributed among 10 potrooms; two potrooms equal one potline. All bulk storage raw materials are transferred to the cells by specially designed vehicles. Dispensing these materials is done by operator control as the vehicles travel parallel to the pot on either the front or back side. Cell operations are normally controlled by a process computer but may be individually placed on manual control when necessary.

The electricity used in the reduction process is supplied by hydroelectric power generated from the many dams on the Columbia River and its tributaries. Alternating current supplied by the Bonneville Power Administration is converted to direct current by water-cooled or air-cooled rectifiers. The direct current flows from the anode to the cathode and serves to provide a source of heat to the reduction cell and serves as the direct stimulus to the electrolytic process.

Each reduction cell produces approximately 1,600 pounds of aluminum per day; pots are tapped every other day by the siphon principle, and molten metal is transferred by crucible and fork truck to a centrally located casting department. Most alloying is done in the holding and casting furnaces based on feedback from the quantometer in an in-house chemical laboratory. Casting the various sized and shaped ingots is based on the direct chill principle. Columbia Falls casting facilities include ten furnaces, five casting pits, and one pig casting machine.

Shipments of primary products are made principally on the Burlington Northern Railroad. The Columbia Falls plant operates and maintains its own switch engine; railcars are weighed both in and out.

The operating, maintenance, and service departments include a machine shop and a variety of vehicular, power-driven equipment necessary for an aluminum plant of Columbia Falls' design and location.

## Description of the Business

## **Product Lines**

- o T Ingot
- o Pig
- o Sheet Ingot
- o Foundry Ingot

## Shipments

(1983 in Millions of Pounds)

|          | Į   | J.S.    |        |          |       |
|----------|-----|---------|--------|----------|-------|
|          | Cus | stomers | Export | Internal | Total |
| T, Pig & | RSI | 11      | 0      | 0        | 11    |
| Sheet    |     | 0       | 0      | 132      | 132   |
| Foundry  |     | 1       | 0      | 0        | 1     |

## Shipments

(1984 in Millions of Pounds, Estimated)

|          |     | J.S.<br>stomers | Export | Internal | Total |
|----------|-----|-----------------|--------|----------|-------|
| T, Pig & | RSI | 28              | 0      | 2        | 30    |
| Sheet    |     | 0               | 0      | 249      | 249   |
| Foundry  |     | 12              | 0      | 0        | 12    |

#### **Product Descriptions**

T Ingot and Pig are basic, unalloyed shapes which are typically at least 99.7 percent pure aluminum. RSI is Recycled Scrap Ingot.

Sheet Ingot is alloyed and shipped to mills where it is hot and cold rolled into plate, sheet, and foil products.

 $\frac{ Foundry \ Ingot}{ remelting \ to \ produce \ castings.}$ 

## Suppliers

Alumina is supplied under two contracts with Alumax, Inc. The alumina originates from refineries owned by Alcoa of Australia in Western Australia. The first contract is for 200,000 metric tons per year from January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1990. The second contract provides 127,000 metric tons per year from July 1, 1978 to June 30, 1988.

Electricity is supplied by the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) under a contract that will expire July 1, 2001.

Natural gas is supplied by Montana Power Company under a contract that will expire December 31, 1984.

Petroleum coke, coal tar pitch, aluminum fluoride, and synthetic cryolite are other important raw materials. These are purchased in amounts as required from various producers at market prices.

#### Customers

Most of Columbia Falls' production has been supplied to ARCO Aluminum Company's Terre Haute, Indiana rolling mill. Internal vs. external sales for the last five years were as follows:

| Year | ARCO<br><u>Aluminum</u> | Outside<br>Customers |
|------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 1979 | 87%                     | 13%                  |
| 1980 | 76%                     | 24%                  |
| 1981 | 94%                     | 6%                   |
| 1982 | 648                     | 36%                  |
| 1983 | <b>92</b> %             | <b>8</b> %           |

Outside sales are made on a direct basis to consumers and metal merchants. There are four regional sales areas: Midwest, Central, Northeast/Southeast, and West/Southwest.

#### Description of the Business

## Technology

## Quality Control

The Columbia Falls plant has an intensive quality control program that controls parameters for the plant's significant activities. A particularly strong effort exists in the cell operations area, the cell rebuild area, and the carbon plant.

## Recent Technology Improvements

The Columbia Falls plant has been developing significant performance improvements in the following areas:

- o Cell Alumina Feeding/Polarization Computation Methods
  - This practical method of cell feeding by computing a real state of cell polarization will improve current and energy efficiency.
- o Improved Diagnostics/Counter-Electromotive Force (EMF)
  - Mathematical methods for cell emf have resulted in an indication of the cell's general operating condition. This new tool is in-place in two potlines and will result in improved current and energy efficiency.
- o Bath Ratio/X-Ray Analysis
  - This is a new X-ray method that measures bath ratio more accurately and has immunity from contamination. It has been applied successfully at the Columbia Falls plant for two years. No other plant is known to possess this method. The major benefit will be better cell control which will improve current and energy efficiency.
- o Integrated Process Control and Data Base Computer System
  - A sophisticated system has been developed to utilize the computer to integrate multiple control systems into a common data base. This will allow the maximum utilization of pertinent information and should improve total plant performance.

#### **Developmental Projects**

Many developmental projects are being tested on operating cells to significantly improve production performance and metal purity at reduced operating costs.

o Cell Magnetics Improvement

Five test cells are in service and five more are currently being installed. They have buswork modifications which will reduce magnetic field distortions in the cells and minimize metal pad turbulence. Benefits of this project are improved current and energy efficiency and reduced in-process inventory.

## o Anode Bus Widening

Twenty-one cells have been converted to wider anode bus, and the results have been very positive. Substantial gains are expected in improved current and energy efficiency and in increased amperage levels.

## o Mitsubishi Anode Technology

The Columbia Falls plant has purchased rights to test the Mitsubishi anode technology. Twenty cells are presently operating, and results are very encouraging. This technology offers improved energy and current efficiency, better carbon consumption and metal purity, as well as reduced manpower. Full commercialization would require additional license fees.

#### o Alumina Point Feeders

Limited commercial use has been made of pre-bake type point feeders for charging alumina to the VSS cells. The improved control of alumina feed to the cell will result in reduction of the work force, more uniform and controlled operating conditions, and reduced use of vehicles.

#### o Demonstration of Large Ingot Capability

The capability has been demonstrated to produce up to 30" thick sheet ingots in 190 inch lengths. A CO<sub>2</sub> injection system to reduce butt curl has been implemented effectively for casting large ingots. Two casting pits have been deepened to ultimately accommodate casting of large ingots of up to 300 inches in length. Additional pit hardware and molds will be required to implement operational capability.

#### Description of the Business

#### Litigation and Contingencies

## Litigation

Atlantic Richfield Company is involved in a number of suits filed against various public and private entities associated with electrical utility rate setting. The suits seek reductions in power rates. The costs of all but one of these suits are shared with other direct service industrial customers of BPA.

Atlantic Richfield Company is a defendant in four suits in which former and/or present employees of the Columbia Falls plant seek compensation for loss of seniority or employment.

## EPA, OSHA, and Other Deficiencies or Citations

There are no variances, non-compliances, or lawsuits in the areas of Environment, Safety, and Health. No citations exist, and none are known to be pending.

## Long-Term Commitments

The Columbia Falls plant has purchased its basic raw material and energy under long-term contracts. The present status of these contracts is:

Alumax, Inc. is obligated under an agreement dated July 20, 1971 to supply 200,000 metric tons of alumina per year through December 31, 1990. The contract may be extended through December 31, 1994, upon two years' notice. Under an agreement dated March 12, 1976, Alumax is obligated to supply 127,000 metric tons of alumina per year through June 30, 1988. This amount may be decreased by ARCO by 10% or increased by 10% so long as any increase merely offsets previous decreases. The contract maybe extended through June 30, 1994, upon two years' notice. Both contracts may be assigned with the consent of Alumax.

A/S Kristian Jebsens Rederi is obligated under two contracts dated January 1, 1980 to transport the above quantities of alumina from Australia to the west coast of the United States (normally Everett, Washington). These contracts expire December 31, 1986. They may be assigned with the consent of Jebsens.

Bonneville Power Administration is obligated under a contract dated August 25, 1981, to supply the electric needs of the Columbia Falls plant until July 1, 2001. The contract may be terminated in whole or in part by ARCO upon one year's notice, provided that ARCO reimburse BPA for its otherwise unrecoverable costs. This contract may be assigned with the consent of BPA.

Montana Power Company is obligated under a contract dated May 6, 1974, to supply natural gas to the Columbia Falls plant. This contract expires December 31, 1984. ARCO and Montana Power will negotiate for a replacement contract. The present contract may be assigned by ARCO with the consent of Montana Power, and ARCO anticipates that any new contract will have a similar provision.

#### Description of the Business

#### **Environmental Status**

In 1980, a major capital expenditure program of \$32 MM (the Sumitomo project) was completed at Columbia Falls to reduce fluoride particulate emissions in order to meet revised standards. An additional capital expenditure of \$5 MM was made for the installation of a dry scrubbing system to maintain compliance with the standards.

Two waste landfills are currently on the facility property. Spent pot linings from the reduction process are the main waste disposed on-site. As a result of the Bevel Amendment, a mining waste exemption from RCRA, these spent pot linings are considered non-hazardous.

It is estimated that in three years an additional on-site landfill will be required, since the others will be full. The estimated cost to construct the landfill is \$1,000,000.

The facility has ten groundwater monitoring wells. One of these wells is used to monitor groundwater downgradient of the landfills. The additional groundwater monitoring wells are required because the facility provides drinking water to employees.

The facility does not have an NPDES discharge permit, since it is not a point source discharger. Plant effluent that consists of non-contact cooling water from the casting shop and also cooling water from the pitch plant is sent to evaporation ponds on the property.

#### Health and Safety Status

Columbia Falls is currently directing its health efforts toward compliance with the OSHA Hazard Communications Rule. No compliance difficulties are anticipated. Columbia Falls currently has no outstanding OSHA citations.

## Medical Departments

The medical department is capable of doing all occupational health procedures, pre-employment and periodic physicals, and minor injury care.

## Organizational Structure

Exhibit C charts the organization at the Columbia Falls plant.

Manufacturing managers for operations, technology, engineering, and materials report to the plant manager.

Other managers for finance, special projects, public/government affairs, and employee relations also report to the plant manager.

Sales and Marketing responsibilities are handled by a manager and staff reporting to the Vice President, Primary Operations, ARCO Aluminum Company, in Louisville, Kentucky.

Columbia Falls' management and professional staff has an average experience of over 15 years. Exhibit D profiles key management personnel.

## Facility Description

ARCO Metals Company Primary Aluminum Reduction Plant P.O. Box 10 Columbia Falls, Montana 59912 406-892-3261

#### Location

o Two Miles Northeast of Columbia Falls, Montana

## **Property**

| 0 | Plant Site      | 220  | Acres |
|---|-----------------|------|-------|
| 0 | Buffer Property | 3712 | Acres |
| o | Total           | 3932 | Acres |

## Buildings

| o | Manufacturing      | 1,750,000 | Square Feet |
|---|--------------------|-----------|-------------|
| 0 | Maintenance        | 77,800    | Square Feet |
| 0 | Offices            | 38,400    | Square Feet |
| 0 | Laboratory         | 6,000     | Square Feet |
| 0 | Warehouse/Shipping | 137,000   | Square Feet |
| o | Total              | 2,009,200 | Square Feet |

## Major Equipment

- o VSS-Sumitomo Potlines (5)
- o Casting Furnaces (10)
- o Casting Pits (5)
- o Pig Casting Machine
- o Carbon Plant
- o Rod Mill Facility
- o Receiving/Storage/Shipping Facilities
- o Laboratory
- o Offices
- o Medical Department
- o See Exhibit E for More Detail

#### **Product**

- o Various Sizes and Alloys of Primary Aluminum Ingot
  - Sheet Ingot
  - Pig Ingot
  - T Ingot
  - Foundry Ingot

### Capacity

o 360 Million Pounds Per Year

## Port Everett, Washington

- o 1 finger pier 16 ton capacity gantry crane
- o 8,000 metric tons per 24 hours
- o Long Term Lease expires 7/1/89
- o 55,000 short tons storage
- o 1st call on Pier 1 and crane use. Total usage of the Dome.

### **Employees**

|             | Hourly | Salaried<br>Exempt | Salaried<br>Non-Exempt | Total |
|-------------|--------|--------------------|------------------------|-------|
| 1984        | 791    | 145                | 79                     | 1,015 |
| 1985 Budget | 792    | 158                | 79                     | 1,029 |

All hourly employees are represented by the Aluminum Workers Trades Council (AFL-CIO) comprised of the Aluminum, Brick and Glass Workers International and several craft unions. The labor environment is cooperative. No significant work stoppages have been caused by labor or contract disputes.

The labor agreement with the union expires on September 15, 1986.

#### Pension and Benefit Plans

## SALARIED PERSONNEL

All exempt and non-exempt employees are provided with a standard ARCO Metals Pension and Benefit Plan, which includes:

- 1. Retirement Plan
- 2. Medical Insurance Plan
- 3. Dental Insurance Plan
- 4. Salary Continuation Plan
- 5. Long Term Disability Plan
- 6. Savings Fund Plan
- 7. Employee Stock Ownership Plan
- Life Insurance Plan (Standard and Optional Provision)
- 9. Voluntary Accident Insurance10. Business Travel Accident Insurance

## HOURLY PERSONNEL

All day's pay employees are provided with the following negotiated benefits:

- 1. Life Insurance Plan
- Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance 2.
- 3. Weekly Accident and Sickness Insurance
- 4. Medical Insurance
- 5. Dental Insurance
- 6. Retirement Plan
- 7. Employee Stock Ownership Plan
- 8. Savings Fund Plan

Historical Operating Statistics

Columbia Falls Reduction Plant Potline Production Statistics

|                              |       |       | Historical |       |       | 1984     | 1985   |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|------------|-------|-------|----------|--------|
| Operating kate               | 1979  | 1980  | 1981       | 1982  | 1983  | Estimate | Budget |
| Average Pots Operating       | 587   | 594   | 572        | 367   | 312   | 553      | 593    |
| Total Pots Available         | 009   | 009   | 009        | 009   | 009   | 009      | 009    |
| Percent of Capacity          | 886   | %66   | 85%        | 61%   | 52%   | 92%      | %66    |
| Potline Production           |       |       |            |       |       |          |        |
| Pot Operating Days (M)       | 214.2 | 217.3 | 208.9      | 133.9 | 113.9 | 202.4    | 216.4  |
| Average Amperage (M)         | 100.0 | 99.4  | 102.0      | 102.1 | 100.0 | 102.2    | 103.3  |
| AMP Efficiency (%)           | 83.2  | 86.2  | 88.1       | 87.9  | 83.8  | 85.6     | 86.3   |
| Potline Production (MM lbs.) | 316.4 | 330.5 | 333.2      | 213.4 | 169.9 | 314.4    | 342.6  |
| Pot Rebuilds                 |       |       |            |       |       |          |        |
| Pots Rebuilt                 | 311   | 102   | 83         | 54    | 144   | 253      | 122    |

Columbia Falls Reduction Plant Raw Material Statistics

| Material Consumption (1bs.) Per  |                                       |   | Historical |      |  | 1984     | 1985   |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|------------|------|--|----------|--------|
| Pound of Potline Production  | 1979                                  | 1980                                      | 1981       | 1982 | 1983   | Estimate | Budget |
| Alumina  | 1.951                                 | 1.958                                     | 1.931      | 1.96 | 1.96   | 1.96     | 1.96   |
| Aluminum Fluoride  | .021                                  | .021                                      | .022       | .025 | .024   | .020     | .021   |
| Cryolite   | .049                                  | .024                                      | 600.       | .013 | .052   | .040     | .017   |
| Petroleum Coke   | .437                                  | .407                                      | .413       | 907. | .421   | .411     | 907.   |
| Anode Pitch  | .187                                  | .176                                      | .177       | .174 | .180   | .176     | .174   |
| Material Costs (1)   |                                       |   |            |      |  |          |        |
|  | 568                                   | 735                                       | 847        | 806  | 793  | 062      | 889    |
| - Total \$ (MM\$)  | 1.9                                   | 2.6                                       | 3.1        | 2.4  | 1.6  | 2.5      | 3.2    |
| Cryolite - \$/Ton  | 564                                   | 605                                       | 701        | 753  | 627  | 575      | 999    |
| - Total \$ (MM\$)  | 4.4                                   | 2.4                                       | 1.1        | 1.0  | 2.8  | 3.6      | 1.9    |
| Petroleum Coke - \$/Ton  | 149                                   | 169                                       | 152        | 172  | 133  | 140      | 149    |
| - Total \$ (MM\$)  | 10.3                                  | 11.4                                      | 10.5       | 7.5  | 4.8  | 0.6      | 10.4   |
| Anode Pitch - $\$/\text{Ton}$  | 164                                   | 325                                       | 340        | 324  | 278  | 330      | 360    |
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(1) \$/Ton is acquisition cost including freight per short ton of material. Total \$ were computed using material consumption rates shown above multiplied by hot metal production pounds times \$/ton factors shown above (converted to \$/lb.)

Columbia Falls Reduction Plant Energy Statistics

|   |      |      | Historical |       |      | 1984     | 1985   |
|---|------|------|------------|-------|------|----------|--------|
| •   | 1979 | 1980 | 1981       | 1982  | 1983 | Estimate | Budget |
| Electric Power Consumption<br>Per Pound of Production |      |      |            |       |      |          |        |
| Reduction Process - DCKWH                             | 8.31 | 7.83 | 7.64       | 7.82  | 8.39 | 7.90     | 7.75   |
| Total Power - ACKWH                                   | 8.97 | 8.42 | 8.19       | 8.52  | 8.98 | 8.34     | 8.26   |
| Electric Power Rate (Mils/ACKWH)                      | 3.43 | 5.75 | 8.03       | 19.07 | 23.7 | 24.1     | 23.7   |
| Total Power Costs (MM\$)                              | 9.6  | 16.0 | 22.1       | 34.7  | 36.5 | 64.4     | 0.79   |
|   |      |      |            |       |      |          |        |
| Natural Gas Usage                                     |      |      |            |       |      |          |        |
| Consumption (MMCF)                                    | 777  | 403  | 331        | 266   | 272  | 245      | 322    |
| Cost Per MCF (\$)                                     | 2.48 | 3.59 | 4.52       | 4.82  | 5.01 | 4.8      | 6.9    |
| Total Gas Costs (MM\$)                                | 1.1  | 1.4  | 1.4        | 1.3   | 1.4  | 1.2      | 1.6    |

Columbia Falls Reduction Plant Human Resource Statistics

|  |          |       | Historical |       |       | 1984     | 1985   |
|--|----------|-------|------------|-------|-------|----------|--------|
|  | 1979     | 1980  | 1981       | 1982  | 1983  | Estimate | Budget |
| Operating Rate                                   | 286      | %66   | 95%        | 61%   | 52%   | . 92%    | %66    |
| Average Employment                               |          |       |            |       |       |          |        |
| Hourly Personnel                                 | 1124     | 1067  | 806        | 662   | 286   | 812      | 787    |
| Salaried Personnel                               | 293      | 306   | 322        | 289   | 206   | 224      | 237    |
| Total Employment                                 | 1417     | 1373  | 1230       | 851   | 792   | 1036     | 1024   |
| Average Hourly Compensation (\$/Hr.)             | $\hat{}$ |       |            |       |       |          |        |
| Hourly Wage                                      | 9.71     | 10.39 | 11.98      | 13.56 | 14.09 | 14.11    | 14.20  |
| Hourly Benefit                                   | 3.39     | 3.65  | 4.61       | 6.44  | 7.54  | 6.64     | 7.01   |
| Hourly Compensation                              | 13.10    | 14.04 | 16.59      | 20.00 | 21.63 | 20.75    | 21.21  |
| Manhours Per Short Ton<br>of Finished Production |          |       |            |       |       | :        |        |
| Hourly Employees                                 | 12.7     | 11.8  | 9.6        | 10.6  | 11.4  | 9.1      | 8.4    |
| Salaried Employees                               | 3.5      | 3.4   | 3.6        | 5.6   | 4.2   | 2.4      | 2.5    |
| Total Employees                                  | 16.2     | 15.2  | 13.2       | 16.2  | 15.6  | 11.5     | 10.9   |

Columbia Falls Reduction Plant Production Costs

|  |        |       | Historical |       |       | 780      | 0.00<br>7.00 |
|--|--------|-------|------------|-------|-------|----------|--------------|
|  | 1979   | 1980  | 1981       | 1982  | 1983  | Estimate | Budget       |
| Finished Production (MM 1bs.)          | 314.5  | 330.9 | 333.8      | 213.3 | 171.3 | 317.2    | 351.8        |
|  |        |       |            |       |       |          |              |
| Production Costs (c/1b.)               |        |       |            |       |       |          |              |
| Conversion Costs (Excluding Alumina)   | na) 22 | 25    | 27         | 38    | 51    | 97       | 43           |
| Period Costs (Excluding Depreciation)_ | ion)4  | 5     | 9          | 6     | 8     | 8        | 9            |
| Total                                  | 26     | 30    | 33         | 47    | 59    | 54       | 67           |

#### EXHIBIT A

## U.S. Trademarks

All special trademarks applicable to the facility being sold will be assigned to the purchaser. This assignment will exclude any house marks or symbols of Atlantic Richfield Company. Where a trademark covers products which are produced at more than one ARCO Metals facility, assignment or license of the right to such a mark will be negotiated separately where each of the facilities involved is being sold to a different purchaser.

#### EXHIBIT B

The following is a list of the current ARCO U.S. patents and patent applications which are applicable to the Columbia Falls reduction facility.

## U.S. Patents

| ARCO Case No. | Patent No. | Title  |
|---------------|------------|--|
| 34-0029A      | 3,384,152  | Starting Block Assembly for<br>Continuous Casting Apparatus  |
| 34-0040A      | 3,384,498  | Recovery of Aluminum Fluoride  |
| 34-0040A      | 3,941,874  | Recovery of Aluminum Fluoride  |
| 34-0059A      | 4,444,740  | Method for the Recovery of Fluorides from Spent Aluminum Potlining and the Production of an Environmentally Safe Waste Residue |

## U.S. Applications

| ARCO Case No. | Number     | Title   |  |  |
|---------------|------------|---|--|--|
| 34-0060A      | 06,488,339 | Operation of Soderberg Aluminum<br>Production Cells and Apparatus<br>Therefor |  |  |

Atlantic Richfield Company will grant to a purchaser of an ARCO Metals facility a royalty-free, nonexclusive license, with the right to sublicense, to use all applicable technology, both patented and unpatented, being used in that facility. Where proprietary products are made solely at a particular location and at no other ARCO Metals facility, Atlantic Richfield will consider assignment of all rights to that technology to the purchaser.

#### EXHIBIT C

## Organizational Chart

## ARCO Aluminum Company

Columbia Falls

Plant Manager

R. A. Sneddon

Technical Manager

Operations Manager

T. F. Payne

L. W. Smith

Engineering Manager

Financial Manager

H. B. Lockhart

D. G. Morrison

Materials Manager

Employee Relations

Manager

J. F. Lopez

R. Nenni

Special Projects
Manager
D. J. McMillan

Public/Governmental Affairs Manager

A. J. Canavan

## EXHIBIT D

## Profile of Key Management

| Name               | Age | Position                                       | Years with<br>Company | Education and Previous Experience  |
|--------------------|-----|--|-----------------------|--|
| Robert A. Sneddon  | 62  | Plant Manager                                  | 34                    | B.S. Manager, Reduction Operations - Sebree Smelter Plant Manager - Sebree Smelter |
| Lee W. Smith       | 51  | Operations Mana                                | ger 28                | B.S.<br>Technical Operations<br>Manager<br>Production Manager                      |
| Thomas F. Payne    | 36  | Technical Manage                               | er 14                 | B.S.<br>Reduction Engineering<br>Superintendent<br>Potline Engineer                |
| Harold B. Lockhart | 54  | Engineering Man                                | ager 29               | B.S.<br>Casting Superintendent<br>Rod Mill Manager                                 |
| James F. Lopez     | 39  | Materials Manage                               | er 6                  | Work towards M.B.A.,<br>B.S.<br>Service Supervisor<br>Reduction Accountant         |
| Donald G. Morrison | 32  | Financial Manage                               | er 7                  | M.B.A. – B.S.<br>Budget & Cost Analysis<br>Manager<br>Sr. Planning Analyst         |
| Donald J. McMillan | 47  | Special Projects<br>Manager                    | 23                    | B.S.<br>Planning & Evaluation<br>Manager<br>Sumitomo Project<br>Manager            |
| A. Jack Canavan    | 52  | Public &<br>Governmental<br>Affairs<br>Manager | 18                    | Public Relations<br>Representative<br>Communicator –<br>Public Relations           |
| Rose Nenni         | 34  | Employee Relatio<br>Manager                    | ons 4                 | Employee Relations<br>Manager<br>Labor Representative                              |

#### EXHIBIT E

#### Equipment List as of September 1, 1984

## VERTICAL STUD SODERBERG CELLS

- 102,500 amps - 4.9 volts - 7.7 DC KWH/POUND - 60 cells per potroom - 2 rows, end to end - 10 rooms at 1100 feet - 5 potlines
- Anaconda/Pechiney/Sumitomo technology
- Alcoa 398 Dry Scrubber

## MELTING & CASTING EQUIPMENT

- 100,000 Pound Reverb Furnaces (9)
- 75,000 Pound Reverb Furnace (1)
- Pig Casting Machine (1)
- Casting Pits (5)

## OTHER EQUIPMENT

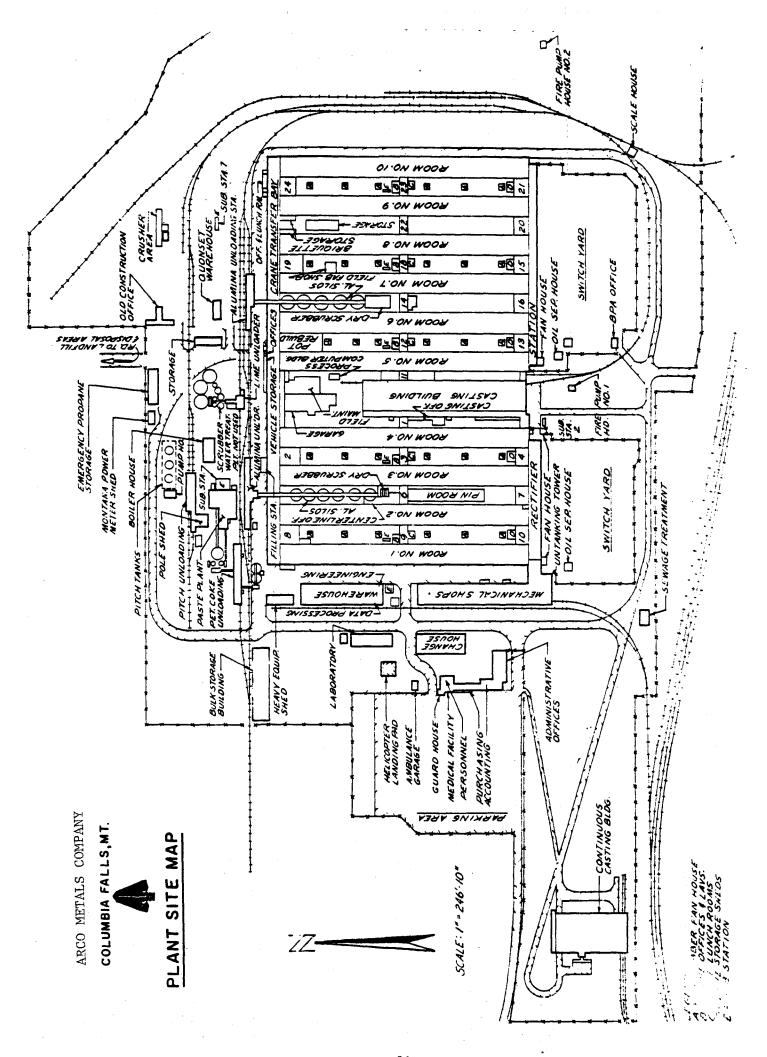
- 333 Vehicles
- 22 Pieces of Environmental Equipment & Associated Accessories
- 153 Pieces of Carbon Plant Equipment & Associated Accessories
- 14 Pieces of Mechanical Shops Equipment
- 105 Pieces of Miscellaneous Equipment
- 1 Complete Rectifier Station and Switchyard Operation

#### OTHER

- Rod Mill Facility
- Receiving/Storage/Shipping Facilities
- Laboratory
- Offices

#### NOTE

- A more detailed list of equipment can be furnished if requested.



## APPENDIX A

## Sales Brochure